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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: PRESS GUIDANCE: SOUTH AFRICAN ARMS EMBARGO

REF: STATE 209317

1. A TRIBUNA OF SEPTEMBER 25 AND NOTICIAS OF SEPTEMBER 26 BOTH REPRINTED STORY FROM SOUTH AFRICA'S RAND DAILY MAIL ASSERTING THAT U.S. HAD DECIDED TO RESUME SALES OF ARMS TO SOUTH AFRICA. USING GUIDANCE PROVIDED REFTEL, WE IMMEDIATELY ISSUED PRESS RELEASE IN PORTUGUESE REBUTTING THESE ALLEGATIONS. INSTEAD OF USING OUR PRESS RELEASE, HOWEVER, BOTH NEWSPAPERS USED REUTERS STORY DATED NAIROBI STATING THAT SPOKESMAN FROM US EMBASSY IN NAIROBI DENIED SALES OF ARMS TO SOUTH AFRICA AND INCORPORATING MOST OF GUIDANCE IN REFTEL.

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2. COMMENT: DURING PAST WEEK, DESPITE LETTERS FROM ME TO THE DIRECTORS OF THE LOCAL NEWSPAPERS, WE HAVE HAD NO SUCCESS IN PLACING STATEMENTS ON AFRICA BY PRESIDENT FORD AND SECRETARY KISSINGER. WE SUSPECT, THEREFORE, THAT NEWS-PAPERS MAY BE ADOPTING CAUTIOUS POLICY OF RELYING TO MAXIMUM EXTENT ON WIRE SERVICES FOR POLITICAL NEWS RE UNITED STATES. PRESS, HOWEVER, CONTINUES TO USE NON-POLITICAL USIS MATERIALS.
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